Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, their families, friends, neighbors, and co-workers encourage everyone to focus on the abilities of all people; and,

Whereas, The most effective way to increase this awareness is through everyone's active participation in community activities and the openness to learn and acknowledge each individuals' contribution; and,

Whereas, Opportunities for citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities to function as independently and productively as possible must be fostered in our community; and,

Whereas, We encourage all citizens to support opportunities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in our community including full access to education, housing, employment, and recreational activities; and,

Whereas, Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities deserve nothing less:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 2017 as

INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State